

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF VERMONT



In re:

Roman Catholic Diocese of Burlington,  
Vermont,

Case No.: Case No.: 24-10205-HZC  
Chapter 11 Case

Debtor.

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**ORDER EXTENDING EXCLUSIVE PERIODS UNDER 11 U.S.C. § 1121(d)**

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This matter came before the Court on the Motion for Entry of an Order Extending Exclusive Periods Under 11 U.S.C. § 1121(d) (doc. #154) (the “Motion”) filed by the Roman Catholic Diocese of Burlington, Vermont (the “Diocese”), the Affidavit of Bishop John J. McDermott (doc. # 13), and the statements of counsel and evidence adduced with respect to the Motion at the hearing on January 28, 2025 (the “Hearing”). The Court finds that: (i) it has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 157 and 1334; (ii) venue is proper in this district pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409; (iii) this is a core proceeding pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 157(b); (iv) due and proper notice of the Motion was provided pursuant to Local Rule 9013-3; (v) notice of the Motion and the Hearing was sufficient under the circumstances; and (vi) there is good cause to waive the 14-day stay imposed by Bankruptcy Rule 6004(h) to the extent it is applicable. After due consideration, the Court finds that the relief, as requested in the Motion is in the best interests of the Diocese, its estate, and its creditors. Therefore, for good cause shown, **IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:**

1. The Motion is **GRANTED** as set forth in this Order. All terms not specifically defined herein have the meaning provided in the Motion.

2. The exclusive period for the Diocese to file a plan of reorganization is extended through and including **July 28, 2025**.

3. The exclusive period for the Diocese to solicit and obtain acceptances to such plan of reorganization is extended through and including **September 29, 2025**.

4. The entry of this Order shall be without prejudice to the Diocese's right to request further extensions of the exclusivity periods or to seek other appropriate relief.


5. All time periods set forth in this Order shall be calculated in accordance with Bankruptcy Rule 9006(a).

6. The Diocese is authorized to take any and all actions necessary to implement the provisions of this Order.

7. To the extent Bankruptcy Rule 6004(h) applies, this Order is deemed effective and immediately enforceable upon its entry.

8. The Court shall retain jurisdiction to hear and determine all matters arising from or related to the implementation and interpretation of this Order.

January 28, 2025  
Burlington, Vermont

  
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Heather Z. Cooper  
United States Bankruptcy Judge

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Debtor

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## CERTIFICATE OF NOTICE

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Recip ID	Recipient Name and Address
db	+ Roman Catholic Diocese of Burlington, Vermont, 55 Joy Drive, South Burlington, VT 05403-6999
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Recip ID	Notice Type: Email Address	Date/Time	Recipient Name and Address
cr	Email/Text: bankruptcy@td.com	Jan 28 2025 19:41:00	TD Bank, N.A., 70 Gray Road, Falmouth, ME 04105

TOTAL: 1

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The following addresses were not sent this bankruptcy notice due to an undeliverable address, \*duplicate of an address listed above, \*P duplicate of a preferred address, or ## out of date forwarding orders with USPS.

NONE

## NOTICE CERTIFICATION

I, Gustava Winters, declare under the penalty of perjury that I have sent the attached document to the above listed entities in the manner shown, and prepared the Certificate of Notice and that it is true and correct to the best of my information and belief.

Meeting of Creditor Notices only (Official Form 309): Pursuant to Fed .R. Bank. P.2002(a)(1), a notice containing the complete Social Security Number (SSN) of the debtor(s) was furnished to all parties listed. This official court copy contains the redacted SSN as required by the bankruptcy rules and the Judiciary's privacy policies.

Date: Jan 30, 2025

Signature: /s/Gustava Winters

## CM/ECF NOTICE OF ELECTRONIC FILING

The following persons/entities were sent notice through the court's CM/ECF electronic mail (Email) system on January 28, 2025 at the address(es) listed below:

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